Flaw in Appointing Presenting Officer

1916. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2926 given in the Rajya Sabha on 18th March, 1993 and state:

(a) what was the technical flaw which the management realised after six months after appointing the inquiry and presenting officers and the proceedings started thereafter; what are the reasons and details thereof;

(b) whether a charge sheet was reissued to an employee, if so when the charged officer was asked to send his reply to the charge sheet of C&MD of date 21st May, 1990; what is the date and reasons therefor; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the management of IDPL had deliberately appointed the General Manager (Production) as disciplinary authority for the charge-sheet of 17th November, 1989 in order to gain time on such serious matter when General Manager (Sales) was available at the time; if so, what are reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The technical flaw in the charge-sheet dated 17|11|89 issued to one former Marketing Executive of IDPL was that the charge-sheet was not under the signature of the appropriate disciplinary authority.

(b) As already stated in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2926 dated 18|3|93, the IDPL management had reissued the charge-sheet on 21|5|90 under the signature of the appropriate disciplinary authority. As per the standard practice, the charged officer, the former Marketing Executive of IDPL, was directed to submit his written statement of defence within 7 days.

(c) No, Sir.

Helicopter flights in Lahul-Spiti and Chamba districts in H. P.

@1917. SHRI MAHESHWAR SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Helicopter flights operated to the tribal areas of Satingiri, Udaipur in district Lahaul-Spiti and Azog, Kilar in district Chamba of Himachal Pradesh during the winter season of the year 1992-93;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such flights have been discontinued prior to the stipulated time causing lot of inconvenience to the local people; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for discontinuing these flights?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The H. P. Government had requested for a winter courier facility for a period of three months. This was undertaken by the IAF from January to March 1993. During this period, the total number of flights operated by IAF are as under:—

(i) Udaipur . .	22 sorties
(ii) Satingiri . .	12 sorties
(iii) Kilar . . .	14 sorties
(iv) Azog . . .	6 sorties

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Problems of ex-servicemen

1918. SHRI MD. SALIM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a committee has been set up under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary Ministry

@Previously Unstarred Question 802, transferred from 4th May, 1993.